Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* If Government considered it to be unnecessary, they would not have sanctioned the scheme.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Is it then the position of Government that they can't find funds?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* It has not been possible to find funds immediately. That being so, no definite assurance can be held out now.

PUTHENVELIKKARA BRIDGE—CONSTRUCTION OF

43. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* Will the Government be pleased to state what action, if any, they have taken to connect Mala-Puthenvelikkara road with Puthenvelikkara by a bridge?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The matter is under correspondence with the Travancore Government.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* May I know at what stage the matter stands at present?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The matter has been referred to the Travancore Government and no reply has been received from them.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know whether before the construction of this road, the Travancore Government was consulted?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* In fact the Travancore Government constructed a road leading up to the canal even before we started the construction of this road.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Was any consultation with the Travancore made before we began the work of construction?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* No.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* How long it is since the matter has been under correspondence?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* About 4 months.

VYPEEN-PALLIPPURAM ROAD—CONSTRUCTION OF

44. Mr. L. M. Pylee *(Latin Christians-Ernakulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state when will they resume the construction of the Vypeen-Pallippuram Road?

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The extension of this road from Narakkal to Vypeen, over a distance of about 6 miles, is estimated to cost not less than Rs. 2,25,000. As, with the available allotment of Rs. 31,000, only about 4 or 5 furlongs of the road can be constructed, it has been decided that the entire question should be re-examined by the next Road Board. The work has therefore been put off.

ACCIDENTS CAUSED BY VEHICULAR TRAFFIC IN MAT-ANCHERI, ERNAKULAM AND TRICHUR

45. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will the Government be pleased to state .—

(*a*) the number of accidents that have happened causing injury to men, cattle or both by traffic, vehicular, motor or otherwise, in the years 1112, 1113, 1114, 1115 in Mattancheri, Ernakulam and Trichur ;

(*b*) the number of accidents during the above-mentioned period which have proved fatal ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*)

Years	*Mattancheri Town*	*Ernakulam Town*	*Trichur Town*
1112	5	18	13
1113	6	13	9
1114	3	4	25
1115	9	5	16

(*b*) 4.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know, out of the various figures given, how many accidents were caused due to straying cattle?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* It is not possible for me now to give these figures.

SWEET TODDY TAPPING APPLICATIONS FROM KUNNAMKULAM RANGE

46. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state .—

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Excise authorities for licenses for sweet toddy tapping from Kunnamkulam Excise Range during the first three months of 1116;

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